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Most High Born ; and Gracious Prince,



E L L may Mortals and the lower World celebrate by, Anthems, so Heroick in all things, and Illustrious a Potentate ; You, Royal Sir, being by Providence and Birth only acquainted with Greatness and Virtue : the Lineal Descendant of an Hundreth and Nine Monarchs : Thrice Happy and Princely Child of a most Glorious Saint, and Incomparable Martyr : the Son and Brother of the best of Kings : and Royal Heir apparent of three Dominions, and the *British* Crown. Which Quaternio and fair Contexture of Glory, evincing Grandour beyond example, impregnat with Matchless Goodness and Hereditary by a Right Filial and Fraternal, doth (therefore) farther also securely Prognosticate both Completion and Reward ; as the appointment of obliged Fate, and by you deserved from all your Stars. For, as to the Series and Pompous Line of all those unparallel'd and Regal Contingencies, the Prerogative certainly and more individual interest of an Excellent Merit (intirely, Sir, your own) do most powerfully confirm Nature to have been in her Courtisy egregiously Wise, and the Disposals of Heaven admirably just ; their remaining Engagements must therefore in accomplishment, be uniform : Diadems being for you disposed down in an undoubted Successive Right from your Great Progenitor *Fergus*, and that Royal Centurie of His Sons. The circled Glories of whose Virgin Crown, have thorow Ages been kept intemerate, and never toucht by a Forreign Brow. That, Sir, your (*Caledonia's* Chiefest Hopes and second Joy) may in an untainted native Honour, together with the happy Investure of its Conjugate and Sister Royalties, the more Augustly be inornate with that her most Ancient and uncontaminate Wreath of Kings. Whereof the Sparkling Gemms and Gold are but the mean and darkest things ; Diamonds, though therein checkered by richest files, being the

Last and least of the Conspicuities of its Honour. Seing that for
 a Childead of years again repeated, the Regal Watchmen of our
 Country, compleating now one Decad, beyond the number of
Argus Eyes: most of them by genius bravely Warlick, and
 through signal Success Renowned Victors: of all the then known
 Princes of the Earth, they only free, and checking the Power of
 the Awful *Cæsars*: but with the first of Kings, yielding up their
 Glory and early gathered unto *Shiloh*; They (attended with the
 millions of their People) being soon after the Displaying of the Cross,
 reckoned among the Honorarie Incomes of the Nations: four score
 and four Christians; many of whom for Sanctitie admirable: A
 part, by Choice, persisting long in purest Celibat and dying
 Virgins: Some Martyrs; severals Enrolled Saints: the plurality
 most Nursing Fathers of the Church; Munificent by Pious Ero-
 gations, even to Proverb and a Wonder: By Providence there-
 fore (in Reward and Peace) enjoying to day the entire Patrimo-
 ny, and United Royalties of fifteen distinct, of old, and coetane-
 ous entituled Kings; besides the *British* Interest in the more late
 discovered Occidental Isles, and other Lands: Again, respectively
 at the birth of them the Chearful and Teeming Skie also bring-
 ing forth, to Salute their blessed Ingress to the World, by an em-
 bassy of Recent Lights: Others, when Babes renunciat Mo-
 narchs, and inthronized from the Cradle: eleven from Parent to
 Child, immediat of one Cognomination: all of one Family:
 The improven Dignity of the whole concentrated in the Hopes of
 your Succession, are the more precious, being matchless, Jewels
 of that Unconquered Royal *Apex*. Sir, the Arbitration like wayes
 of Martial Fortune hath, by Sea and Land equally, confer'd its happy
 Symbole to advance the Trophies of your Renown. So that had
 Natures Just and Peaceful Titles all been silent in the Anthem
 of your Glorie, yet, through Conduct of auspicious and ap-
 proven Fates, could the Princely Valour of your Highness have
 Scepters, and a Regal Dowrie unto you quicklie propin'd, by the
 uncontroulable Hand of Conquest: You, Mightie Sir, being (per-
 sonallie also) Victorious often, and in Arms Famous by many
 Triumphs, and a Frequent Laurel; While wonderfullie, amidst a
 thousand

thousand Chances, declared the Friend of Destiny, and sacredly preserv'd. Moreover, by Character of a twofold Honour, to avouch the Great Regalitie of your Charter, Sir, in you Magnanimous and Princely Features, highly argues Pregnancy of Soul, and a true Cognation to all the Heroes. Whence Sphears, Wind, and Flying Cherubs, halt ye in your interrupted Courses, to admire so Glorious a Concatenation and Train of all Royal Perfections: Wherein exemplar and a Mightie Probitie, being matcht with Regal Honour, becomes exceeding beneficial unto Mankind; while in its instructive powerful Influences, that great regular and accomplisht *Idea*, Sir, of your most Princely and untainted Converſe, ſtands readie to be tranſcribed, as the publick Standard of Moralitie, and a Rectifying Mean for all the World. that ſo the prevailing Integrity of your Highneſs, refining every where, and enamouring men into a ſpeedy and univerſal practice of what is upright, may (in this incurvat State and Senior evening of Mortalitie) regain *Aſtrea* and her Age of Gold. Then full happie Nation, guarded by ſuch ample Power and Skill, whoſe amiable Centre is only Goodneſs: and when, Sir, your great Will ſhall think fit thence to divert their more immediate watchfull Beams; Yet ſeing a kind of Royal Ubiquitie is due to Princes, may we then (at leaſt) enjoy by Icon, and not wholly be benighted. Beſeeching therefore, and moſt zealous alway to entertain ſome reſiding Aſpect of your preſence; were it only through a certain Apoſtrophie of its Proxie Rayes, ſtill direct and vertical to our Nation, by a conſtant Solſtice of Princely Favour; graciouſlie vouchſaf'd as an unitenerant delegat of your ſelf, to make us Happy; and perpetuating from all Eclipse, the Wearmth and Vigorous Luſters, of the Kingdom its preſent Oecumenick Joy, in all ranks of people, deeply rooted and imparted by the powerful reflexes and Condeſcendencie of your Higness viſit, Exorient to our northern Clime: Which, as by the numerous and publick Congratulations of all Eſtates therein ſolemnly welcomed and received, hath moſt dutifully alſo been reſented by this loyal and ancient Metropolis of the Land. Sir, upon your Royal Entrie, the Noble Conſul of the City, (accompanied with all the Honorable Fathers of that Senate, orderly appointed

in their Robes) having in submissive Alacrity and Oblation, joyfully delivered up the Keyes and security of her Gates, into the Safe Protection of your Highness Princely Hand ; as the Tutelar Genius of the Place. Then in most costlie Viands and the richest Blood of Grapes, (much like the *Ambrosial* Repasts of *Jove*, and Weet of *Nectar*, filld in Gemms) they sumptuously entertaining , Sir , you their High *Abasuerus*, and your Royal *Esther* (as) with the Banquet of a King ; profusely also , in purpured Flouds , and a Tide of *Bacchus* , the Conduits overflowing in the street. Those rich Alluviums again drunk up by the Hilarous Passion (Sir, thus carousing to your welcome) of an innocent but mighty flame. The innumerable and most raging ardent piles being, by contiguity of their Structures, and the Omen of your peaceful Name, gladlie disarmed and accumulate into one great Rosie Volume of Harmless and United Fires plenteously , thus as a Thicket of inoffensive *Aetna's*, flourishing thorow all the Lanes ; thence by interveen and the crimson Aids of a powerful artificial Day , dislodging *Vesper* and the Night. Thus, and by all other Festival Indications have, Sir, for You (in profoundest Veneration) their Indelible Respects, signally been attested by the Loyal City. With whom no less obsequious at Your intended progress hence, Sir, the whole Nation doth , unto Your Royal Highness (with bowed Knee , and Loyal Minds) chearfully at once repay and offer a Debit and most willing Tribute of the sincerest affections of us all, from Southern *Tweed* , to the utmost *Thule*, knit together as one man. And for Certificat of Obyfance (Sir , at the Call and Whispers of Your Imperial Eye) lo, readie Armed by Faithful Hearts, with bravest Courage , in a Thick and Flaming Cloud of many Thousands brandisht Swords, to do You Service : most Resolute also, thereby keenly (thorow the Heart and Bowels of Opposition) to cut, for You , the Way and Ingress to a Throne ; if Affairs did so require. But through a more Serene and Happie Juncture , the Divine Goodness , great in the Priviledge of Your Birth, Humane Equitie exemplified by the Law of Nations and Constitution of these Realms , together also the indispensable Precepts of Christianitie , ratified by Severe and Holy

Holy Sanctions have (joyntlie all to remunerate the Innate Excellencies of Your person) Sir , for You most powerfullie pre-engaged a Triad of Kingdoms , on a most Righteous , Amiable quiet, and Indisputable Claime. It rests therefore onlie the peaceful Task (as it is the Practiced Dutie) of everie Loyal Subject and all truly Christian (though perhaps otherwise , about an Umbrage of a few Opinions and little things , they somewhat distinguish among themselves ; yet altogether unanimous and passionatly cordial to promote all the Hopes and Honour of Your Highness) within this most Ancient Dominion of that Kingly Hundreth of Your Fathers , by a Ready and Universal Harmony of all our Votes, earnestly to supplicat and uncessantly implore that Almighty Stay of *Jacob* and the GOD of Princes , that Your Highness may continually , against all the Attempts and Nocive Power of Sinistrous Fate , be secured by Heaven and Crowned with Felicity , in a constant Tenor : The prosperous Glory of Your Princely Name, being, in the lowdest joyful Call and Voice of Fame, resounded by *Aquilo* , and the Bounds of the World. Thus still Gilded with Tranquillity, may Perpetuity be Your years ; Or when of old (here satiate with Durance and Happy Dayes) from out such Royal Dust , the Soul, journeying thorow the Sun , shall enter these Thrones of Absolute Fortune, be ever Your Actions encircled with Stars. Yea , thorow out the State and Interval of Separation , may there be allowed some bright Locality and more select Orbe to Treasure up, Sir, Your Ashes, all uncommon. Which sure, are also then to be illustrate from the Applausive Quire of all the Echo'd Reports of perfected Virtue: by Allision (as it were) and the sporting Accents of their Breath and Song , dextrously conflicting, till so begetting they do enkindle, into an immarcescible Radiance, a Live Memorial of Your Name : That so, together with the sumptuous Splendor and Vicinage of the Meridau Day , there the Body being Lodg'd and Trim'd (in a kind of Elementar *Apotheosis*) cheerfully may await the Return and Fellowship of Your all Divine and better half. In sum , may all the Matter of Kingly Things be rescu'd from the Lot of Vulgar Dust , and still conspicuous.

And

And seing, Sir, the Seraphick constitution of Your inextinguishable heavenly part is also fairly Legible and Displayed, in that brave and sweet composure of all its corporary outward Vail; at Divesture therefore, may so princely a casket, as the Transcript of Your Mind, (whence ennobled by a kind of consanguinity with Deathless and Intellectual Beeings) powerfully be secured from the bosom of a humble Grave: While suitably enshryn'd in a Lucide Repose among the Orbs. And that the Bounty of this Royal Phasis, may ever dignifie our Horizon, who are exceeding emulous, by whatsoever imaginable way, still over us to affix You the Desired Object of our Heart and Eyes; let it then splendidly be contrived where sits *Arcturus*, and his neighbouring *Charle-wain*: the Equivocal Notice, and somewhat Nominal twin of one and another of Your Ancestors, being in the Beauty and number of the stars, there effigiat and interwoven, as a goodly fore-obsignature of Your own fairer appointed Constellation; to exceed whatsoever Astral Hieroglyphick doth already shine depicted both on the South and Borean side of *Phebus* Walls. By all these premisses stands now colligible an Energie and power of Virtue, to make a Monarch, and Immortal; The goodly Efficient then of both, seing your Highness doth so marvellously owne by candid possession, and a tenour of Increase, we therefore, in the Hopes and Wish of each these its glorious, and by You already promerited Events, do by supernumerary Votes, and a Mighty Loyalty, again, unto all what is sacred and irresistibly powerful, most fervently present and reiterate our Devotions, that Your Highness (most Royal Sir) having (for a circuit of years long and prosperous, like to a patriarchal Age, or the stay of *Nestor*) in this earthly state, and humane schene of affairs, still purely tasted of Felicity in its deepest prelibations, and attainable symbols, may hereafter, thorow out the whole course and line of Beatitude, eternally reap the full and most Happy Retributions of an unparallel'd and excellent Virtue. Mean while, may the Benediction and Strength of him, who prospered *Jacob* in his Journey, most graciously still attend Your Royal Highness, and make You a prevailing prince.